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1,000,000 ABYSSINIANS WILL DEFEND COUNTRY AGAINST ITALY

POLICE VICTIMISE HAUPTMANN SENSATIONAL CHARGE MADE BY REILLY



Betty Gow's former sweetheart, Henry "Red" Johnson, as led from Europe to testify at the trial of Bruno Hauptmann. He was deported following questioning at the time of the Lindbergh kidnapping case for illegal entry into America.

"DISLOYAL SERVANTS AID KIDNAPPERS"
DRAMATIC APPEAL FOR ACQUITTAL

Flemington, To-day.
Mr. Edward Reilly concluded his address for the defence of Bruno Hauptmann, charged with the kidnapping and murder of Col. Lindbergh's baby in 1932, with a dramatic plea for acquittal.
He declared: "I have faith that you all believe in the Golden Rule. The sturdy stock of this country has a reputation for square-shooting men and women who cannot be fooled. I believe this man is absolutely innocent and do not believe you are going to pick out any chestnuts from the fire for the distinguished District Attorney of the Bronx."
The court adjourned at 4.36 p.m. till to-day.—Reuter.
A LATER MESSAGE STATES THAT MR. REILLY DECLARED THAT THE GANG KIDNAPPED THE BABY WITH THE AID OF DISLOYAL SERVANTS. HE ALLEGED THAT THE BABY WAS CARRIED DOWNSTAIRS BY SOMEONE WHOM HE KNEW COULD BE TRUSTED IN THE KIDNAPING, AND THAT THE LADDER WAS PLANTED IN ORDER TO MISLEAD THE INVESTIGATORS.

NO THOUGHT OF GENERAL ELECTION YET

Mr. Baldwin Refers To "Stunt Press"

MUCH WORK YET FOR HOUSE ON INDIA BILL

London, To-day.
The Government had not yet considered the question of an election, declared Mr. Stanley Baldwin in the House of Commons yesterday, when winding up the India debate. There was much work to be done, he said, and he hoped that the House would get one with it. (Ministerial cheers).
Mr. Baldwin previously announced that the Government was allocating 30 days to the Committee stage of the bill and said that the announcement of the programme would probably be taken by the "stunt press" as an indication of a general election at Whitsuntide.—Reuter.

LABOUR OPPOSITION'S AMENDMENT LOST

London, Later.
The House of Commons, by 404 votes to 193, rejected the Labour opposition's amendment on the India Bill in favour of explicit recognition of India's right to Dominion status.
The Bill passed its second reading.—Reuter.

Attorney-General Deals With Depressed Classes

London, To-day.
The Attorney-General, Sir Thomas Inskip, during the fourth day of the House of Commons debate on the second reading of the Government of India bill, dealt in particular with the problem of the depressed classes' inclusion of law and order within the sphere of action of Ministers and the question of Dominion status.
The depressed classes and the masses of India, he said, had everything to gain by the bill, and nothing was more likely to quicken the pace of internal reforms, for
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WEATHER FORECAST

A strong anticyclone is centred over central China; it is decreasing slightly in intensity and extending southward. A depression appears to be moving eastward over Mongolia. The local forecast for to-day, as issued by the Royal Observatory, this morning, was north and north-east winds, moderate to fresh; fine.

SENSATIONAL CRICKET AT GEORGETOWN 19 WICKETS FALL FOR 221 RUNS

Bold Declaration By Bob Wyatt Places M.C.C. On Road To Victory

PAINE TAKES 10 FOR 78

Georgetown, To-day.
With nine wickets in hand the M. C. C. touring eleven require only 92 runs to beat British Guiana to-day as the result of sensational cricket yesterday on a rain-affected wicket. During the course of the day 19 wickets fell for 221 runs.
Losing three more batsmen for 10 runs on a glue pot wicket, the British Guiana skipper applied the closure at 188 for 8, Paine, the Warwickshire spin bowler, having claimed 6 for 67.
The M.C.C. commenced disastrously, and with no prospects of recovering, Bob Wyatt made another bold declaration at 41 for 6—147 in arrears. The move was completely justified as the home team were dismissed for 57 by Paine (4 for 11) and Wyatt (4 for 18).
Faced with 205 to win the M.C.C. had scored 118 for 1 at the close of play, "Wally" Hammond (60) and Townsend (52), the Derbyshire all-rounder, both being undefeated.
Scores, as cable by Reuter, were:
British Guiana: 188 for 8 dec. (Wishart 56, Paine 6 for 67).
57 (Paine 4 for 11, R. E. S. Wyatt 4 for 18).
M.C.C.: 41 for 5 dec. and 118 for 1 (Hammond 60 not out, Townsend 52 not out).
MAURICE HOLTZER BEATS MILLER
World Featherweight Champion Beaten
Paris, To-day.
Maurice Holtzer, the French featherweight boxing champion, last night outpointed Freddie Miller, the American world featherweight champion, in a 10 rounds non-titular contest.—Reuter.

There was no impression in the mud below the nursery window to show that either the man or the baby fell from the ladder. The police, continued counsel for the defence, had bungled the preliminary investigations by their theory that Hauptmann was in the nursery, a theory based on guesswork by experts.
GUILTY KNOWLEDGE
He stated that Ollie Whately, Col. Lindbergh's ex-chauffeur, Betty Gow, the Scottish nurse and Red Johnson, her sweetheart, had guilty knowledge of the kidnapping.
Violent Sharpe, the Lindbergh maid, committed suicide because she had given a clue and, "because the net was closing in."
Reilly alleged that the Police had arranged "plants" in order to send Hauptmann to the electric chair.

Demand For Verdict Of Guilty

Flemington, Later.
Counsel's closing speeches in the Hauptmann trial have begun. The prosecution demand a verdict of guilty of murder, declaring that the evidence proved that Hauptmann both kidnapped and killed the Lindbergh baby.—Reuter.

CHINESE BUSINESS HEADS FOR TOUR

Leaving For Manila This Week

Shanghai, To-day.
A group of 30 Chinese financial, commercial and industrial leaders, with their wives, are sailing for Manila by the President Jackson on Wednesday next week, on a tour of investigation and to promote better relations and co-operation between China and the Philippines.
The party will be headed by Dr. C. T. Wang, ex-Minister for Foreign Affairs.—Reuter.

RAUB DIVIDEND

The Hong Kong Stock Exchange have received a cable from Messrs. Derrick & Co., Local Secretaries in Singapore of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., announcing the declaration of a fourth interim dividend of 8d. per share for the year ending March 31, 1935 payable March 15, 1935.



With photographic reality Benish Selesnick, the well-known portrait painter, sketches the chief figures at the Hauptmann trial at Flemington, New Jersey.

EMPLOYMENT RETURNS IN GREAT BRITAIN DROP OF 195,000 IN SIX WEEKS

CHIEFLY SEASONAL DECLINE IN USUAL TRADES

London, To-day.
It is estimated that at January 28 this year there were approximately 16,053,000 insured persons in employment in Great Britain. This was 195,000 less than at December 17 and 175,000 more than at January 22, 1934.
The decline in employment was most marked in those industries which ordinarily experience a seasonal setback in January.
At January 28 this year the numbers of unemployed persons on the registers of the employment exchanges in Great Britain
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"GOLD CLAUSE" DECISION

Verdict Expected To-day

New York, To-day.
The opinion is growing that the Supreme Court may render the "gold clause" decision to-day, which is a holiday, but the Court will be in session.
It is pointed out that if the court's decision is announced this afternoon the foreign markets will be closed, hence the domestic markets will not be at a disadvantage.
Observers point out that the cases for decision really fall into two categories, namely: Government bonds and private bonds, and some are of opinion that the court may uphold the abrogation of the clause in the case of private, while condemning it in the case of Government bonds.—Reuter.

113,920 TICKETS SOLD IN DERBY SWEEP

1,300 Through Tickets Purchased For Annual Race Meeting

At 2.30 p.m. to-day 113,920 \$1 tickets had been sold in the Hong Kong Jockey Club's Derby Sweep, which will be drawn next Saturday night and which will be decided next Monday, while over 1,300 through tickets, which include a chance on the Derby, had also been sold. A through ticket on the five days' racing costs \$58.
The drawing of the mammoth sweep, the first prize of which is now worth over \$45,000, will take place at the Club House at 9 p.m. on Saturday. Immediately after, a Selling Lottery on the Derby will be held.

"HOT GOSPELLER" IN SHANGHAI

Due There To-morrow

Shanghai, To-day.
Mrs. Aimee Semple McPherson the famed evangelist and founder of the Angelus Temple at Los Angeles, is due here to-morrow by the s.s. Shanghai Maru.
She will call on the mission stations connected with her church in Shanghai, Tientsin and Kiangsu Province.—Reuter.

DOG BITES EUROPEANS

While playing with his dog yesterday evening Sanitary Inspector K. Knight, of the Matankuk Slaughter House, and Stoker Watson, of H. M. S. Otus, were both bitten. They were treated at the Government Civil Hospital, while the dog was sent for observation.

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS ON CHINESE EGGS

Doubts Of Sanitary Conditions

EXAMINATION FOR BACTERIA PROMISED

London, To-day.
In the House of Commons the sanitary conditions under which Chinese liquid eggs were produced was raised by Sir Percy Hurd, Conservative M. P. for Devizes, yesterday, who asked whether effective inspection was carried out in Britain and requested that full enquiries should be made by the British representatives in China.
Mr. G. H. Shakespeare, Secretary to the Ministry of Health, replied that there was no evidence in regard to the sanitary conditions of the production of liquid eggs available, but such eggs were subject to examination at the ports and were liable to seizure if unfit for human consumption.
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CHIMNEY ON FIRE BRINGS ENGINE

Much Ado About Nothing

Much excitement was caused at 2.45 p.m. today in On Hing Terrace when police whistles sounded from all directions. Crowds of people at once flocked to the spot, when it was discovered that a chimney belonging to the second floor of No. 2, had caught fire.
One fire appliance from the Central Fire Station arrived quickly, but a few buckets of water thrown down the chimney from above were sufficient to extinguish the blaze.

ADIS ABABA PARLEYS

ITALY NOT EXPECTED TO WAGE WAR

REINFORCEMENTS PREPARED

ABYSSINIA WITHOUT TANKS AND PLANES

Rome, To-day.

It is not believed that the Government intends to make war on Abyssinia if it can possibly be avoided.

It is officially explained that, as Abyssinia is understood to have massed a force of 80,000 men on the frontier and is able to put 100,000 into the field, it is considered essential that Italian reinforcements should be ready to defend the Italian colonies and avoid any further frontier incidents.

Two divisions, one from Florence and one from Messina, totalling 30,000 men, are ready to leave for Abyssinia if necessary.

The Abyssinian Charge d'Affaires visited the Foreign Office yesterday, both in the morning and the afternoon.

A later message states that if Italy intends war the Abyssinians will defend their country to the last. "We have 800,000 men under arms and can raise 1,000,000. We have modern weapons, but no tanks and no aeroplanes," stated the Abyssinian Charge d'Affaires yesterday, according to Reuter. He said he understood that there were already 40,000 Italian troops in Eritrea and Italian Somaliland.

The Italian Government states that negotiations for a settlement are proceeding at Adis Ababa.—Reuter.

An Italian communique of Sunday stated that a skirmish had taken place between a party of armed Ethiopians and a detachment of native Italian troops resulting in the death of five troops and a large number of Natives. The fighting took place at the Italian outpost of Afduh, south Ubal, when this fortress was attacked by the natives.
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FORTHCOMING WEDDING

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Jose Tavares, engineer, of No. 14 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, and Miss Juanita Terri Montgomery, of No. 62 Queen's Road Central.

FROM EUROPE

FROM SHANGHAI

FROM MANILA

FROM AUSTRALIA

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FOR EUROPE

FOR SHANGHAI

FOR INDIA.

FOR JAPAN

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FOR U.S.A.

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COMPANY MEETINGS

HONG KONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., 18, Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, the 23rd February, 1935, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1934.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 11th February to Saturday the 23rd February 1935 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 1st February, 1935.

LAMMERT BROS.

AUCTIONEERS, APPRAISERS AND SURVEYORS.

Public Auctions—
The undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
Thursday, the 14th February, 1935
Commencing at 5.15 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
Duddell Street

A Fine Collection of Valuable
POSTAGE STAMPS
On view from Tuesday the 12th,
February 1935.

Terms: Cash on Delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.
Hong Kong, 9th February, 1935.

THE undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction

ON
Friday the 15th February 1935,
commencing at 2.30 p.m.
at their Sales Room,
Duddell Street

A Quantity of
VALUABLE HOUSEHOLD
FURNITURE

comprising:—
Chesterfield couches, and arm-
chairs, Teak Wardrobes with be-
velled mirrors, Teak dinner wa-
gon, Teak side boards with bevel-
led mirrors, Teak dressing tables
with bevelled mirrors, Teak hat-
stand with mirror, Teak arm-
chairs and chairs, Teak dining
table, Teak chest of drawers, Teak
cupboards, Teak tea poy, Teak
tables, Teak desks, Teak ice
chests, Teak filing cabinets, Teak
and glass cabinets, Teak and
glass book cases, Teak Office
chair, etc., etc.

also
One Grand Piano.
One Frigidaire.
One Piano.

and
A Quantity of
BLACK WOOD FURNITURE

including:—
Black wood joss table, Black
wood armchairs, Stools, Black
wood tea poy, Black wood, and
glass cabinets, Black wood Jardini-
eres, Black wood desks, etc., etc.

On View from Thursday the
14th February 1935.

Terms: Cash on delivery.
LAMMERT BROS.,
Auctioneers.

Hong Kong, 11th Feb. 1935.

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GENERAL NOTICES

TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC,
LONDON.

LOCAL EXAMINATIONS.
The following are the dates of
the forthcoming Examinations:—
PRACTICAL (Vocal & Instru-
mental Music).

About last week in May & 1st, week
in June.
Last day of Entry... 28th, Febru-
ary, 1935.

THEORETICAL (Paper Work) on
8th, June.
Last day of Entry... 28th, Febru-
ary, 1935.

Entry forms and all particulars
may be obtained from the Local
Secretary:—
Wm. ANDERSON
c/o The Anderson Music Co., Ltd.
St. George's Bldg, Ice House St.
Phone 21322.

HONG KONG HORTICULTURAL
SOCIETY

THE ANNUAL SHOW of
FLOWERS and VEGET-
ABLES will be held at the VO-
LUNTEER HEADQUARTERS on
THURSDAY, the 28th FEBRUARY,
1935, from 3 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

ENTRIES WILL DEFINITELY
CLOSE at the Hon. Secretary's
Office, Stock Exchange Building,
Ice House Street, at NOON on
THURSDAY, the 21st FEBRUARY,
1935, but intending exhibitors are
requested to SEND IN THEIR
ENTRIES AS EARLY AS POSSI-
BLE.

MEMBERS who have not yet
paid their subscriptions and ALL
THOSE who wish to join the So-
ciety are requested to send \$5.00
to the Undersigned.

J. T. BAGRAM,
Hon. Secretary.
Hong Kong, 28th January, 1935.

DIOCESAN SCHOOL OLD BOYS'
ASSOCIATION

THE ANNUAL GENERAL
MEETING and ANNUAL
DINNER of the Association will
be held in the Chinese Merchants
Club—China Building, on Febru-
ary 23rd, 1935, at 7.00 p.m. and
8.00 p.m. respectively.

It is hoped that all Old Boys
will be present at both the above.
Tickets can be obtained at the
following places:—

B. C. Randall—Benjamin & Potts,
Ice House Street.
P. H. Sin—P. H. Sin & Co., 14
Queen's Road C.

W. N. Thomas Tam—Bank of
China Building.
J. L. Young Saye—48 Cumber-
land Road, Kowloon Tong.

Kenneth Chan—Gande, Price &
Co.
Kwok Chan—Banque de l'Indo-
Chine, French Bank Building.

Peter Wong—A. S. Watson & Co.,
Alexandra Building.
Wong Sik Chung—H. K. & Kow-
loon Wharf & Godown Co.

Dr. Arthur Woo—China Build-
ing.
T. S. W. Chan—Diocesan Boys'
School.

(Signed) T. S. W. CHAN,
Hon. Secretary.

WEDNESDAY, 13th

George
ARLISS in
THE HOUSE OF
BOTHWICK

At The MAJESTIC

RADIO
TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

The following programme will
be broadcasted to-day from the
Hong Kong Broadcasting Station
2.R.W. on a wave length of 855
metres (845 K.C.s):—

DANCE MUSIC FROM THE
EMPORIUM BALLROOM
Jazz Studio Recital

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Pro-
gramme.

12.30 p.m.—London and New York
Stock and Commodity Quotations,
Manila Gold Stock Quotations.

1.35-1 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1 p.m.—Local Time and Weather
Report.

1.03 p.m.—Recorded Music.
1.30 p.m.—Renter Press Bulletin,
Rugby Press News, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
4-7 p.m.—Chinese Programme.
7-11 p.m.—European Programme.
7 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quota-
tions.

7.03-7.50 p.m.—Light Orchestral
Music.
Ballet Egyptian Suite (Luigini).
Mock Morris Dances (Granger).
A Fairy Ballet (White).
Raindrops (Rivers).

7.30-8 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Jazz Banjo and Piano Recital by
Fred Carpio and Julian Silverio.

1. Banjo Solos:—
The Pilot (March)
Rhythmic.

2. Piano Solos:—
Kitten on the Keys
From now on.

3. Banjo Solos:—
Old Town Pump.
Sweet Sue.

4. Piano Solos:—
A Needle in a Haystack.
One Finger Joe.

8 p.m.—Local Time and Weather
Report.
8.03-8.35 p.m.—Variety.

Song:
Every little While
Frances Maddux (Soprano).
Band—Wine Song ("Caravan")
Organ Solo—
A Japanese Sunset

R. E. McPherson.
Vocal:
You're Getting to be a Habit with me
The Four Musketeers.

Orchestra:
On a Little Street in Honolulu
Song:
The Very thought of you
Sam Coslow (Tenor).

Accordion Solo—
Mason's Apron—Reel
Frank Murphy.

8.35-9 p.m.—Band Music.
Irving Berlin Waltz Songs, Medley.
Casse Noisette Suite (Tschalkovsky).

The B.B.C. Wireless Symphony Orch.
9.30 p.m.—From the Studio.
A Violin and Piano Recital by
Miss Ruby Walden and Miss
Othilia Dorwin.

Programme:
1. Selection—The Desert Song
Komborg.

2. Pianoforte Solo—Goliwaga Cake
Walk
Violin Solos—Le Swan... Kreisler.
Schon Rosmarin... Saint-Saens.

4. Songs & Piano:—
Duns... McGill.
By the Waters... Llanurau.
Vale... Russell.

5. Violin & Piano—Country Dance.
Neil Gwyn... Edward German.
9.30 p.m.—Renter Press Bulletin,
Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further
London Stock and Commodity Quota-
tions.

9.35-10 p.m.—Selections from Light
Opera.
The Chocolate Soldier.
Pirates of Penzance (Sullivan)
Tollanthe (Wallace).

10-11 p.m.—A Relay of the Dance
Orchestra from the Emporium Ball-
room by courtesy of the Manage-
ment.

10.30 p.m.—Renter Press Bulletin,
Rugby Mid-day Press News, Further
London Stock and Commodity Quota-
tions.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

IDEA THAT SPREAD ROUND
THE WORLD

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which are typical of be-
ginners in his profession. He had
much time for reflection and pon-
dered much on the conditions of
life and business in a large city.

In 1905, as a result of his study
and reflections, Mr. Harris had
formulated a definite philosophy of
business relations. Calling to-
gether three of his friends, each of
whom was engaged in a different
line of business, he founded the
Rotary Club of Chicago. Through
the propaganda of Paul Harris,
this novel organization later had
counterparts in other cities in the
United States.

In 1910 Paul Harris and others
organized the National Associa-
tion of Rotary Clubs in America.
Later, through the extension of the
movement into Canada and Great
Britain, the International Associa-
tion of Rotary Club was formed.

This was subsequently renamed
Rotary International.

Mr. Harris was third President
of the Rotary Club of Chicago, the
first President of the National
Association and the first President
of the International Association of
Rotary Clubs. He is now Pres-
ident-Emeritus of Rotary Inter-
national.



Charles P. Reitor (right), pharmacist, is a key witness in
the case against Edwin C. Bell (left), prominent Fredericksburg,
Va., church deacon and civic worker, who is charged with at-
tempting to poison his invalid wife (centre) in their home
(above).

Amusements
Cinema Notes"THE COUNT OF MONTE
CRISTO"—KING'S THEATRE

In preparation for nearly a year
before a single scene was filmed, the
\$1,000,000 production of "The
Count of Monte Cristo," now at the
King's Theatre, is one of the few
pictures to come out of Hollywood
which answers to the public demand
for entertainment of world-wide
appeal for all ages and tastes.

This lavish film of Alexander
Dumas' immortal classic is the most
ambitious of screen achievements
to date of Reliance Pictures, Inc.

Robert Donat, handsome young
English actor, who was seen as the
dashing Thomas Culpeper in "The
Private Life of Henry VIII," plays
the character of Edmond Dantes,
familiar to countless readers of the
story in every civilized country.

Elisa Landi is in the role of
Mercedes, Dantes' sweetheart; Louis
Calhern has the part of de Vil-
lorfort; Sidney Blackmer is cast as
Montego; O. P. Heggie takes the
part of Abbe Faria; Irene Horvey
is in the role of Valentine; William
Farnum plays Captain Le Claire,
while Raymond Walburn is cast as
the villain, Danglars.

"THE GAY BRIDE"—QUEEN'S
THEATRE

"The Gay Bride" is M.G.M.'s
latest comedy drama featuring
Carole Lombard, Chester Morris,
Zasu Pitts, and Nat Pendleton, now
at the Queen's Theatre.

Miss Lombard, who is now to be
seen at the Alhambra Theatre in
"Now and Forever," offers the
most entertaining of all her hectic
comedy portrayals in the new
picture. As Mary, the blonde with
a bank-account mind, she dazzles
racketeers into parting with their
ill-gotten gains, and makes them
like it.

Notable acting honours are con-
tributed by Chester Morris as the
Office Boy, a young man of extra-
ordinary abilities who handles
clerical work and other odd jobs
in a gangster's hangout. His
romantic scenes with Miss Lom-
bard are a tender interlude in a
lightning-fast plot.

Nat Pendleton has one of the
most important roles of his screen
career as Shoots Majik, while
Zasu Pitts wins uproarious laugh-
ter with her confusion and terror
in the midst of racketeer fights and
intrigue.

"NOW AND FOREVER"—
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

A grand acting combination, a
thrilling plot and a human and ap-
pealing theme are the elements in
this Paramount stars Shirley
Temple in her latest triumph "Now
and Forever" at the Alhambra
Theatre.

Romantic Gary Cooper, Carole
Lombard, and lovable Shirley Tem-
ple are the three who play out this
tale of a reckless young inter-
national crook.

Cooper plays Shirley's father, re-
united with her for the first time
since her infancy. While the two
are houseguests with Carole Lom-
bard at the Paris home of a wealthy
English woman (Charlotte Gran-
ville) the hostess' jewels are stolen
and a police investigation results.
Shirley discovers her father as the
thief, and is heart-broken.

Cooper has given the jewels into
the keeping of a suave confidence
man. Shamed by his daughter's
tears, he restores them and wins
back the youngster's faith in a
stirring climax.

Shirley Standing has an import-
ant supporting role.

"MURDER IN THE PRIVATE
CAR"—MAJESTIC THEATRE

Eerie situations, combined with
humour, are provided by Charles
Ruggles and Una Merkel in Metro-
Goldwyn-Mayer's comedy-mystery-
thriller, "Murder in the Private
Car" now at the Majestic
Theatre.

Supporting Ruggles and Miss
Merkel in the case are Mary Car-
lisle, Russell Hardie and Burton
Churchill.

Hourly, Miss Carlisle, who pro-
vides the love interest, receives a
note warning her that her end is
drawing near. Toward the cl-
imax, the rear car is uncoupled at
the top of a steep mountain grade,
and begins to roar backward down
the hill out of control.

Both the Dummy's and Declarer's
hand were now completely stripped
of both red suits. Mr. Richards
now led his King of trumps—the
first time trumps had been touched
—and South was thrown in the lead
with his lone Ace. South, of
course, was now helpless. The lead
of any red card would permit the
discard of one of Dummy's clubs,
while obviously the lead of a club
automatically established the club
finesse for Mr. Richards.

A great many declarers on this
hand would automatically have
played trumps at trick 2 and gam-
bled the fulfilment of the contract
upon a subsequent club finesse. Mr.
Richards, however, played for an-
other possibility which gave him
one extra chance. On Mr. Richards'
line of play, if the North player
held the spade Ace and after win-
ning it led a club, the finesse always
could be taken as a last resort.

With the spade Ace blank in the
South hand, however, the contract
was safe, even though the club King
was located in back of the Ace.

The moral of this story, if it has
one, would appear to be that one
should lead the Ace of trumps
against a small slam contract to
avoid subsequent end-plays. But
remember—this is but one hand in
millions.

"OUR GANG" comedies; Preston E.
Foster; Sheila Terry; Quinn Wil-
liams; Harry Gribbon; Oscar Apfel,
Edwin Maxwell, Walker, William
Rogers. Others include Farina, of
Burton and Frank Hagney.

"THE CITY OF SONG"—STAR
THEATRE

The elusive beauty of Naples,
"The City of Song," is well brought
out in this A.S.F.L. production,
which has the beautiful Italian re-
sort for its background.

Throughout the play the pre-
sence of Jan Kiepura, the "wonder
voice of the century," and the star
of "Tell Me To-night," is heard
and felt.

A tender love story is woven in
the film, in which Betty Stockfield,
Heather Angel, and Hugh Wake-
field are in leading roles.

"YOU SAID A MOUTHFUL"—
ORIENTAL THEATRE

Joe E. Brown, famous First Na-
tional comedy star appears in "You
Said A Mouthful," one of his most
recent films now showing at the
Oriental Theatre.

Mistaken for a swimming cham-
pion, Joe is forced into a marathon
race through his love for a beauti-
ful girl and his own inability to
explain matters. After a series of
hilarious incidents in which he is
nearly drowned, he surprises him-
self by winning the race and be-
coming a hero.

Joe is supported by the beauti-
ful Elaine Harrison, Oliver
Roberts, and other stars.

BRIDGE NOTES
A Canadian-American
Tournament

by Ely Culbertson.

A step in the direction of even
more friendly relations between
neighbouring countries was taken
by Bridge players of Canada and
the United States at the second
Canadian-American Contract Bridge
Tournament held at Niagara Falls,
New York, last May. Prominent
Bridge players from both Canada
and the United States were present
in large numbers. The tournament
marked the return to Duplicate play
of a well-known champion of other
days, Mr. Ralph K. Richards of
Detroit. That his skill is undim-
inished is shown by the play of the
hand below, played in the Mixed
Event, his partner being Mrs. H. J.
White of Cleveland.

West, Dealer.
Neither side vulnerable.

NORTH:—
S—2
H—Q J 8 3
D—8 7 6 5 4
C—9 7 2

WEST:—
S—8 7 6 4 3
H—A K 6
D—A 10 2
C—Q J

SOUTH:—
S—A
H—7 5 4 2
D—Q J 9 8
C—K 6 4 3

EAST:—
S—K Q J 10 9 5
H—10 9
D—K
C—A 10 8 6

The bidding: (Figures after bids
refer to numbered explanatory
paragraphs).

West North East South
1NT (1) Pass 3S (2) Pass
4S (3) Pass 5S (3) Pass
6S (4) Pass Pass Pass

1—The extreme weakness of the
spade suit made Mrs. White de-
cide upon the notrump call.

2—The six-card suit with 100
honours and the outside strength
and distribution of the hand
more than justify a force over
an opening notrump bid.

3—This bid asks West to bid six
with only slightly more than a
sound opening notrump bid,
particularly if she has two Aces.

4—A daring and rather optimistic
response.

South made what appeared on the
face of it to be the best lead, name-
ly, the diamond Queen. Mr. Richards
won this trick with the lone King
in his own hand, and led a heart,
winning in Dummy. The diamond
Ace was played, and a club discard-
ed, and the last diamond was led
from Dummy and ruffed in the
closed hand. Another round of
hearts was won by Dummy's Ace,
and Dummy's last heart returned
and ruffed.

Both the Dummy's and Declarer's
hand were now completely stripped
of both red suits. Mr. Richards
now led his King of trumps—the
first time trumps had been touched
—and South was thrown in the lead
with his lone Ace. South, of
course, was now helpless. The lead
of any red card would permit the
discard of one of Dummy's clubs,
while obviously the lead of a club
automatically established the club
finesse for Mr. Richards.

A great many declarers on this
hand would automatically have
played trumps at trick 2 and gam-
bled the fulfilment of the contract
upon a subsequent club finesse. Mr.
Richards, however, played for an-
other possibility which gave him
one extra chance. On Mr. Richards'
line of play, if the North player
held the spade Ace and after win-
ning it led a club, the finesse always
could be taken as a last resort.

With the spade Ace blank in the
South hand, however, the contract
was safe, even though the club King
was located in back of the Ace.

The moral of this story, if it has
one, would appear to be that one
should lead the Ace of trumps
against a small slam contract to
avoid subsequent end-plays. But
remember—this is but one hand in
millions.

"OUR GANG" comedies; Preston E.
Foster; Sheila Terry; Quinn Wil-
liams; Harry Gribbon; Oscar Apfel,
Edwin Maxwell, Walker, William
Rogers. Others include Farina, of
Burton and Frank Hagney.

INSOMNIA IS NOT A DISEASE
BUT IT IS A SYMPTOM WHICH
SHOULD NOT BE IGNORED.

When you cannot sleep at night do
not suppose you are going to
cure the trouble by the use of sleep-
inducing drugs. These help tempo-
rarily only, and their frequent use is
definitely harmful. What you need
is to find out the cause of your
wakefulness and to correct that.

Sleeplessness may be the result of
a variety of things, but chiefly it is
the nerves which are the root of the
trouble. Faulty digestion is another
cause. Both these conditions have a
common cause—they are both the re-
sult of poor and insufficient blood.

When the blood is thin, lacking in
red corpuscles and haemoglobin, the
nerves are starved, they are jaded by
work and are unable to relax after
the tension of the day. Digestion
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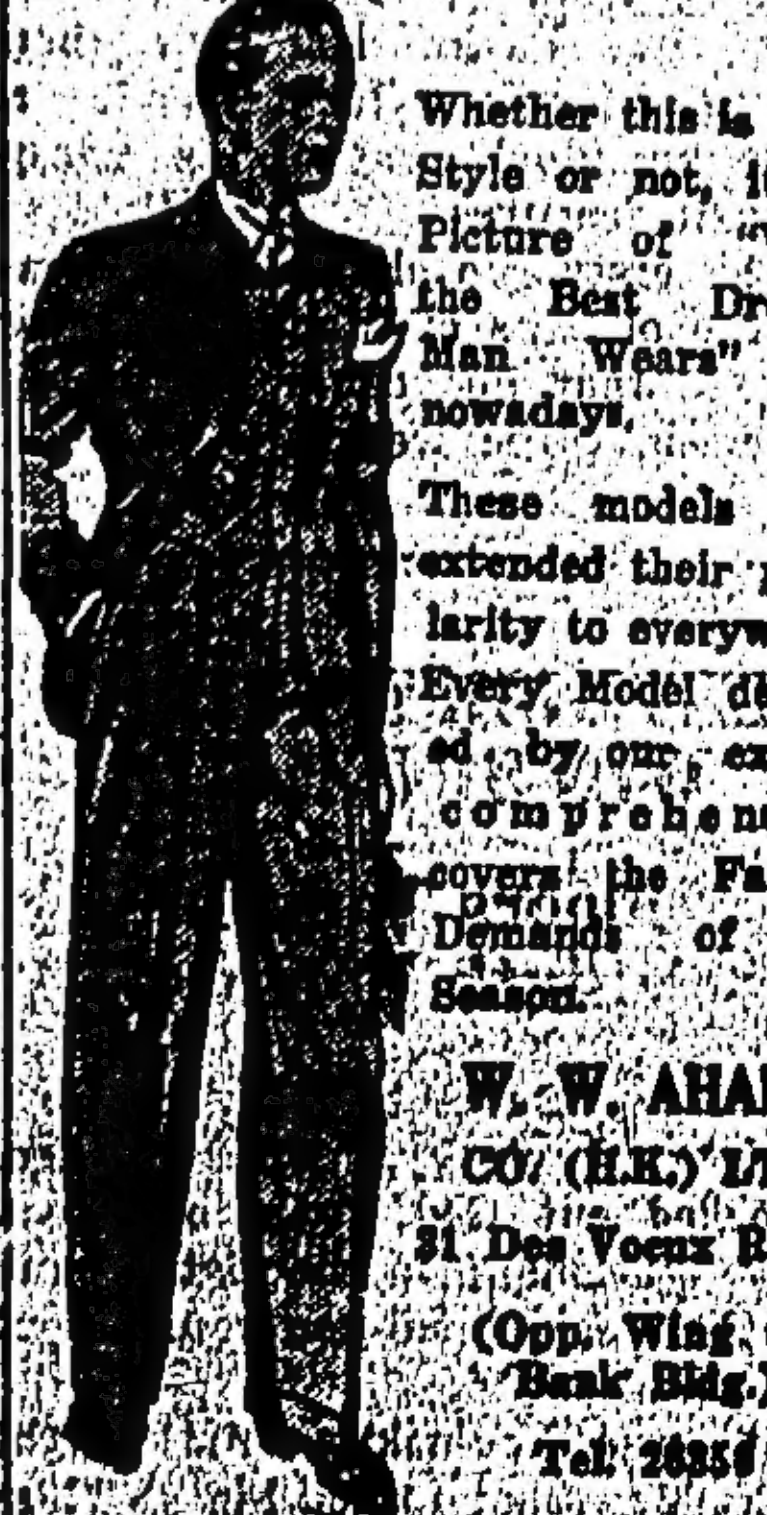
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Sporting Page



LACK OF INITIATIVE AND POOR PASSING FEATURE RUGBY GAME

"MOST ABSURD ORDER IN RING HISTORY"

NON TITULAR FIGHTS LEGALISED

N.Y. BOXING COMMISSION ORDER

NEW YORK, FEBRUARY 5. THE NEW YORK BOXING COMMISSION TO-DAY MADE LEGAL TEN-ROUND NON-TITULAR FIGHTS. PARTICIPATED IN BY THE HEAVYWEIGHT CHAMPIONS OF THE WORLD. WHEREIN THE CHAMPION RETAINS HIS CROWN EVEN IF HE IS KNOCKED OUT.

"The fight will be characterised as a non-title contest even if the champion is knocked-out," Commissioner Eddie Phelan told the United Press. The announcement aroused a severe storm of criticism, mainly from the ranks of the "Old Guard."

"THE MOST ABSURD ORDER IN HISTORY," NAT FLEISCHER, ONE OF THE NATION'S FOREMOST BOXING EXPERTS EXCLAIMED DISGUSTEDLY. FLEISCHER IS EDITOR OF "THE RING," INTERNATIONALLY-KNOWN BOXING MAGAZINE, IN PRIVATE LIFE.

Other static experts were equally as surprised at the commission ruling.

Veterans of by-gone ring days termed the order as just another step further from the days when fighters fought for the love of it—and only incidentally for the little money attached to the fight.

Boxing Setback

Some ring observers were of the opinion that the order promulgated by the commission may set back the cause of boxing in America.

It was pointed out that heavy-weight champions hereafter will prefer to engage in non-title bouts in view of the fact that they will not only receive suitable compensation for their efforts but retain the crown regardless of whether they are knocked out or not.

"What's the use of being a heavyweight champion any more," one old-timer remarked.

"All you gotta do to hang onto the title is to fight your most outstanding challenger non-title bouts."

"If he knocks you out what's the difference? You'll still be champion."

The order will likely be adopted by the various commissions throughout the country, affiliated with the New York organization.

However, it was pointed out that virtually every important heavy-weight contest in recent years has been held in New York.

Other commissions not affiliated with the New York group are the National Boxing Commission and the International Boxing Federation, both of which may take exception to the New York body's ruling.

CARNERA ANXIOUS TO MEET BAER

Could Get Ready In Three Weeks

New York, Feb. 4. Primo Carnera is eager for a return scrap with Maxie Baer and is willing to meet any opponents selected by the committee in order to prove his right to a crack at the title which he lost last June when the California wildcat made a chopping block out of his many Tuscan features.

The erstwhile champion informed the officials of Madison Square Garden that he would get in top shape in three weeks.

LEVINSKY'S FIRST WIN SINCE K.O.

Floors Tonn In Sixth Round

Sarasota, Fla., Feb. 5. King Levinsky, of Chicago, knocked out Ged Tonn, of Green Bay, Wisconsin, in the sixth round of their scheduled ten round bout here last night.

It was Levinsky's first fight since Max Baer forced him to "kiss the canvas" in December.

CHANGES IN BISLEY N.R.A. RULES

Annual Meeting From July 8 to 20

TYRO CLASS ABOLISHED: ONLY EXPERTS NOW

Of the changes in rules, regulations, prizes, and conditions which the National Rifle Association has made for 1935, that which allows the use of the Pattern '14 rifle in all S.R. (b) competitions will cause the most general satisfaction, states a home paper.

Since 1919 Bisley competitors have become more and more convinced that, excellent as is the S.M.L.E. as a service weapon, it is a heartbreaking rifle with which to engage in keen competitive target shooting.

Many men have given up full-bore shooting because of the constant anxiety and cost of trying to keep the weapon up to the Bisley standard of accuracy, and for the same reason it is not easy to get recruits for the sport.

Army Sniping Weapon

The Pattern '14 rifle, which, when fitted with a telescopic sight, is the Army sniping weapon, is of modern design, and is both accurate and stable.

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AUSSIE CRICKETERS FOR S. AFRICA

Team To Be Chosen In April

FOURTEEN PLAYERS AND A MANAGER

The Australian team to go to South Africa in the 1935-36 season will comprise fourteen players and a manager-treasurer. It will be selected in the last week in April next, and will be required to submit themselves for examination by State medical referees in the last week in August.

The following medical referees had been appointed:—New South Wales, Dr. Holmes a Court; Victoria, Dr. Maier; Queensland, Dr. L. M. McKillop; South Australia, Dr. L. O. Betts; West Australia, Dr. Adrian Marmer; Tasmania, Dr. A. W. Shutt. A committee comprising the Chairman, Messrs. R. A. Oxlade (N.S.W.), R. F. Middleton (S.A.), J. Hutcheon (Q.), D. L. Kelly (V.), had been appointed to prepare an agreement between the board and the players and the financing of the playing conditions.

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OXFORD MAKE BOAT RACE INNOVATION

To Resume Training At Henley

For the first time in the history of the Boat Race, the Oxford University crew will not practise at Oxford for the race against Cambridge on April 6.

Mr. Peter Haig-Thomas, the chief coach, has decided that they shall resume training at Henley when the Hilary term begins.

It has been the custom for the Oxford oarsmen to return before term, train at Oxford until the College Term, then go to Henley on their way to Putney.

The Crew

M. H. Mosley, the president, will take the crew to Henley, where Mr. Haig-Thomas will be assisted by Dr. J. M. Payne and probably one other coach.

The crew at Henley will include four members of last year's eight—A. V. Sutcliffe (Shrewsbury and Trinity), J. M. Couchman (Sherborne and Christ Church), P. E. S. Raikes (Oundle and Christ Church), and P. Hogg (Sherborne and New College).



The professional debut of George Lott and Lester Stoeffen, ex-amateur world doubles champions, thrilled 16,000 spectators in New York as they were beaten by William T. Tilden and Ellsworth Vines in five sets. Left to right are Lott, Stoeffen, Tilden and Vines at the start of the match.

RECREIO "B" SUCCEED AT BADMINTON

St. Andrew's Swamped In Mixed Doubles

FINCHER AND MISS CHURN PLAY PLUCKILY

In the Mixed Doubles Badminton League last night the Club de Recreio "B" defeated St. Andrew's Club by 8 games to 1, at King's Park.

E. F. Fincher and Miss M. Churn played pluckily for the losers, securing their only game.

The scores were:—L. Carvalho and Miss A. Remedios (Recreio) beat E. F. Fincher and Miss M. Churn 21-9.

beat H. Kew and Miss M. Woolley 21-9.

beat F. Broadbridge and Miss G. A. White 21-9.

A. Rodrigues and Miss C. Silva (Recreio) lost to Fincher and Miss Churn 12-21.

beat Kew and Miss Woolley 21-9.

beat Broadbridge and Miss White 21-17.

H. A. Alves and Miss O. Ribeiro (Recreio) beat Fincher and Miss Churn 21-14.

beat Kew and Miss Woolley 21-9.

beat Broadbridge and Miss White 21-1.

Mrs. Simpson and G. A. Smith (Talkoo) lost to Mrs. T. F. Lo and F. H. Kwok 10-21.

lost to Miss W. Cheong and W. C. Choy 8-21.

beat Miss I. Wong and S. W. Liang 21-15.

Miss R. Summers and T. P. Stalton (Talkoo) lost to Mrs. Lo and Kwok 5-21.

beat Miss Cheong and Choy 21-16.

beat Miss Wong and Liang 21-9.

Miss T. Summers and A. M. M. Stephens (Talkoo) lost to Mrs. Lo and Kwok 7-21.

lost to Miss Cheong and Choy 16-21.

beat Miss Wong and Liang 21-8.

KWOK CHUN HANG IN HANDICAP RACE

Finishes Second After Conceding 14 Seconds

Melbourne, Feb. 8. Kwok Chung-hang, the Chinese swimming star, dead-heated for second place in the 50 yards handicap breast-stroke held at Horsham on Saturday.

Childrow, who was given a handicap of 14 seconds, finished first, while Kwok and Weir, who started from scratch, dead-heated for second honours in the time of 41 3/5 seconds.

LOTT, STOEFFEN MAKE DEBUT AS PROFESSIONALS

Tilden And Vines Win Open Matches

LENGTH OF DOUBLES MATCH CANCELS STOEFFEN'S DEBUT

New York, Jan. 10. George M. Lott Jr. and Lester Stoeffen made their professional tennis debut yesterday at the Madison Square Garden as a part of the tour planned by Big Bill Tilden and his associates, but though they put up a fine battle in the doubles, the feature match of the evening, failed to achieve any success.

Tilden swept over Lott in straight sets in the only singles match, 6-4, 7-5, and with H. Ellsworth Vines Jr., as his partner, came from behind after more than three hours of play to defeat the amateur champions, 3-6, 14-16, 13-11, 8-6, 6-4.

The dinner will be a memorable one for many reasons—but principally because this season will probably be the last in which Mr. A. W. Burkill, after 40 years' service, fills the post of president of the club. The announcement was made later, after the official speeches were finished.

Mr. A. W. Burkill was in the chair, supported by D. McLellan, the Hong Kong captain and J. P. C. Master, captain of the S.R.U.F.C., and members of the Committee.

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GLENN CUNNINGHAM WINS WANAMAKER MILE

Fails To Reach His World Mark By Many Seconds

New York, Feb. 3. Glenn Cunningham, holder of the world's record for the indoor mile, captured the Wanamaker Mile, last night.

His time was 4:11, considerably slower than his record.

Tilden encountered Lott in the first match, and though Lott gave him some trouble at the start, he held his service to 3-all, and then took the set on a break in the seventh game. Tilden then won the second set and match breaking on the 11th game.

The new professionals made a good start in the doubles which followed, taking the first set at 6-3 on a break through each of the others. But the next set needed 30 games to settle it in their favour, 10-14, and the third went to Vines and Tilden at 13-11. Then Tilden and Vines won the match.

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COCHET LEAVING FRANCE ON WORD TOUR ON FRIDAY

Tokyo, Feb. 5. Henri Cochet, former French national tennis champion and one of the great figures of the tennis world, will devote his tour to giving lectures on tennis, showing motion pictures of outstanding matches of the past and playing exhibition matches against local champions, for the purpose of propagandizing French tennis, an Embassy official said.

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LOCAL JOCKEYS NOT TO RIDE

Messrs. Harriman And Caplan

Mr. G. A. Harriman, the well-known local jockey, is not taking part in the annual race meeting.

Mr. A. L. Caplan, another local jockey, is also not taking part in the meeting, which commences next Saturday.

U.S. MARINES DEFEAT COLONY FIFTEEN

FINE HONG KONG PACK BADLY SUPPORTED

HARD GAME AT CANIDROME

SHANGHAI, FEBRUARY 6. HONG KONG LOST TO THE U. S. MARINES BY A GOAL HAND AND A TRY (8 POINTS), TO A PENALTY GOAL (3 POINTS), IN THE SECOND AND LAST MATCH OF THEIR TOUR PLAYED AT THE CANIDROME ON MONDAY AFTERNOON. IT WAS A PERFECT DAY FOR RUGGER AND A LARGER CROWD TURNED OUT TO WATCH THE MATCH.

Though lacking in spectacular movements, it was a hard game from start to finish, and the Marines owed their victory to their keenness and always being on the ball, thereby taking quick advantage of any of their opponents' mistakes in handling, which was not as good as it might have been.

PRACTICALLY TWO DAYS OF FINE WEATHER AFTER THE HEAVY RAIN, WHICH FELL ON FRIDAY NIGHT AND THE DRIZZLE DURING PART OF SATURDAY, PUT THE GROUND IN IDEAL CONDITION FOR FAST OPEN RUGGER AND THE SPECTATORS LOOKED FORWARD TO PLENTY OF OPEN MOVEMENTS DURING THE GAME. THEY WERE, HOWEVER, TO BE DISAPPOINTED.

Lack of initiative and at times poor handling and passing by the Hong Kong threequarters were the prime reasons for their defeat.

The Hong Kong pack played a splendid game. They got the ball in both tight and loose scrums with a regularity that tended to become monotonous in that the threequarters were unable to make any headway when they did get the ball.

Marines Robust Game

The Marines played a robust game. They ran and tackled hard, and though the threequarters rarely received the ball from their forwards, they grasped all opportunities afforded them by the mistakes of their opponents, and often made much ground.

There was one change in the Marine side from that previously announced. At the last moment C. Zatkoff was unable to play and his place on the wing during the first half was taken by J. Lewandowski, J. H. Alexander coming into the pack as hooker.

The Marines won the toss and decided to play with the sun. Mc Lellan's kick-off for Hong Kong went into touch and from the scrum back in the centre the Marines took the ball to the Hong Kong twenty-five.

Pressure was maintained for some little time until Meeke and Archer broke away to bring play back to mid-field. It now seemed Hong Kong's turn to press for Lammert found touch well up in the Marines territory, but Hong Kong did not maintain their advantage long.

Gajarian Nearly Over

The Marines in one of their few passing movements put Gajarian away on the left wing but in trying to evade Munro he went into touch.

Shortly afterwards Oakie ran through to the back but Neilson, who was backing up well, failed to hang on to the pass and spilt a chance of a try for the Marines.

The referee, E. S. Barraclough, kept a strict eye on all scrum infringements and several free kicks were awarded to each side.

Hong Kong were forced to touch down after an attempt for a free kick was made at their goal. From the drop out Oakie got the ball and cut through, but when just short of the line was tackled by Coppin.

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INTERPORT RUGBY DINNER

A. W. Burkill Retires After 40 Years

SHANGHAI DEPLORE LACK OF BRITISH RUGBY REGT.

Shanghai, Feb. 6. About 80 people, including members and guests, were present at the Interport Rugby dinner held at the Shanghai Club on Monday night by the Shanghai Rugby Union Football Club in honour of Hong Kong Rugby Football Club.

The dinner will be a memorable one for many reasons—but principally because this season will probably be the last in which Mr. A. W. Burkill, after 40 years' service, fills the post of president of the club. The announcement was made later, after the official speeches were finished.

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TO-MORROW'S SOCCER

There will be a friendly soccer game to-morrow on the Recreio ground, King's Park, between the Hong Kong Sharebrokers and a Jewish team, at 2.30 p.m.

Share-Brokers:—A. Kitchell, S. A. Jemal, R. M. Omar, N. Leonard, C. Mackintosh, W. Zimmermann, N. Deitz, Ko, B. A. Carroll, Mok Hing Wing, and O. Arculli.

Jewish II:—S. Goldenberg, C. Fuxman, Ellis Joseph, Leo Landau, B. Greenberg, Gubbay, M. Talan, L. Oppenheim, A. Caplan, B. Pascoe and L. Blumenthal.

NEW HOCKEY SECRETARY

Owing to the departure of Captain R. C. S. Bates on 8 months' leave from China, Lieut. C. Ravenhill H.K. Brigade H.K.S. R.A. has been appointed Honorary Secretary of the Army Hockey with effect from yesterday. He can be communicated with through telephone: Kowloon Military 88, Civil 87308.

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The China Mail

Hong Kong, Tuesday, February 12, 1935

General Smuts's Warning

General Smuts has not taken long after returning to Capetown to repeat the advice and warning which he gave in London, and which we referred to at the time. There is a strong suspicion that one of the chief causes of unrest in the Orient is that Japan, after watching carefully the occasional divergences of policy between Washington and London, and the frequent differences of emphasis even when there was no distinct difference of aim, has come to the conclusion that the two English-speaking countries cannot work together and may, therefore, be ignored. The General's advice is that they should avoid the appearance of diversity, and in combination make their policy of peace in the Pacific combined with an independent China effective. Characteristically he gives his remarks a personal turn when he says that there might be danger of trouble on a colossal scale, in which "Japan, Russia, China, the United States, Britain and all the Dominions, as well as India, might well become involved." It is notable that alone of the statesmen of our family of self-governing States he should have called attention to the interest which the Dominions and India have in the matter; though a moment's reflection will show how genuine the interest is.

Some readers may not at first see any reason why the opinion of General Smuts should be quoted round the world in cables, while scores of other speakers are ignored; the explanation is that of all our prominent men he has not only shown the most constructive brain, but has had the most outstanding constructive successes to his credit; and what the whole world is waiting for is a new constructive impulse to arrest and reverse the present dangerous drift to chaos. After sixteen continuous years of Ministerial service in South Africa, during which he saw first the Transvaal and then the Union of South Africa set going as vigorous and efficient organisations against almost appalling difficulties, he began a career on a larger stage as one of the War Cabinet in England, and some think not even next to him, he shaped the League of Nations. He signed the Versailles Treaty for the sake of an immediate document a protest on behalf of the South African Government against the sections that have caused so much unrest and trouble since. It may be said that

the scheme would not have been considered without the influence of President Wilson, but that it would never have got drafted without General Smuts. And the principle that territories with their inhabitants should only be governed in their own interests, the controlling Power receiving a Mandate from the Allies and making an annual report to the League, was entirely his own.

What is of immediate interest when the members of the Indian Congress are demanding "Dominion Status" at once, is that he was also the originator both of that phrase and of the phrase "British Commonwealth of Nations." The "Dominion Status" idea had the simplicity of genius. It was necessary to find a short expression which could be easily understood for an immense mass of administrative custom and privilege under which ever since the famous report on Canadian Affairs submitted by Lord Durham in 1848, self-government had been enjoyed in the larger Colonies as soon as they were able to pay their own way, without embarrassing co-operation with England and the rest of the Empire. Just as it had begun in Canada, so had it most fully been developed there. The word "Canadian" would imply some local connection, so the other word in the title of the "Dominion of Canada" was chosen, and became in itself a technical and constitutional term which has filled the gap by being at once sufficiently definite and also elastic.

It has served its purpose in South Africa, Australia and New Zealand, where the necessary goodwill has smoothed out difficulties as they have arisen. The best definition was given by the General himself, when he said that it implied a "common citizenship, and a united Commonwealth in which the local Parliaments and Ministers had the same relationship to the Crown as the Parliament and Ministers had in England."

In Ireland the system worked well enough for ten years during the administration of Mr. Cosgrave, who aimed at making things go smoothly under Mr. De Valera. It has not worked at all, because no system that implied smooth working has been wanted. The hesitation about using the word "In" connection with the Indian Reform scheme is that the Irish policy has raised many legal difficulties, which already amount to a query whether it can be applied to Ireland at all. The experienced Indian leaders have already shown a tendency to go to Ireland for advice and suggestions, where one of them the other day in a public speech said "what is wanted is the disintegration of the British Empire." It is not desirable in the new constitution to use a word which would give a handle to the many clever law

HERE, THERE
and
EVERYWHERE

CENTENARIAN WARRIORS

A British traveller who recently returned from Montenegro, says that while visiting the Royal Palace at Cetinje he was shown a regimental flag borne by the Montenegrins into battle when they defeated the Turks at Grahovo in 1858.

He also met the original standard-bearer. At a reunion a year ago this old warrior, who is 106, bore the same flag at the head of his regiment.

He was the youngest of the 16 survivors of the battle. All 16 were present at last year's regimental march-past.

WAR ON DIPHTHERIA

The present prevalence of diphtheria ought to awaken the public to the fact that diphtheria could easily be stamped out in Britain as well as in other countries.

In Russia, Denmark, Canada, and the United States immunisation of children has been carried out on a wide scale with remarkable results.

In some cities in America diphtheria is practically non-existent. England is definitely behindhand in this matter. Good work is being done by medical officers of health, but an energetic propaganda is needed.

Immunisation of all children would remove diphtheria from the list of infectious diseases. It would take about five to ten years of intensive work. But it would be worth it.

Your Daily Smile!

Geology Professor: "What kind of rock is this?"
Student: "Oat I just take it for granite."

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Midjet Car
Driver of Small Car (driving up to filling station): "I'll take a gallon of gasoline and a pint of oil."
Attendant: "O.K., sir, and do you want me to squeeze in your tires, too?"

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Heckler is Heckled
At a political meeting Col. Sam Hughes (Canada's Minister of Militia during the war) was addressing the assembly. There was a prolonged and insistent hissing. The Colonel stopped and said: "There are three things that hiss: a snake, a goose, and a fool. Will you please come forward that we may identify you?"

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

The annual Kowloon Junior British School Sports will be held on the grounds of the Kowloon Cricket Club on Thursday, February 14 at 10 a.m. when Mrs. A. O. Brown will present the prizes.

A Concert arranged by Mr. J. C. M. Grenham is being held in the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home on Wednesday evening at 8.30 p.m. The admission is 20 cents and the following are amongst the artistes who will appear:—Audrey Steel (Soubrette), Margaret King (Soprano), Doreen Ma (Pianoforte), Gus D'Aquino (Tenor). Dances by Madame De Trecoart assisted by Hermoine Beauclerk.

For being found in possession of 40 tael of raw opium, which was tied round his waist, at the Kowloon Railway Station yesterday Wong Kin, a 30-year-old unemployed, was fined \$1,200, in default six months' imprisonment, by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. Revenue Officer Brown prosecuted.

Charged with the theft of a gold watch and chain, a pair of spectacles, a pencil, four pieces of clothing and a purse containing \$73, to the total value of \$106, and alternatively receiving a pair of trousers, and also with possessing a shoemaker's knife for unlawful purposes, Chan Hang Kong, unemployed, was sentenced to four months' hard labour on the first charge and one month on the third charge by Mr. W. M. Thomson at the Central Magistracy this morning. The second charge was withdrawn. Detective-Inspector J. O'Donovan appeared for the prosecution.

Persons who will take a share in working the Assemblies, to say that unless their most extreme demands are granted they are being defrauded of something that has been promised to them in the Constitution.

OLD OBSERVANCES IN THE COMMONS CUSTOMS THAT AROSE IN DIM PAST

ASSERTING HOUSE'S RIGHTS AGAINST THE CROWN

(By Dingle Foot, M.P.)

THERE is a story that John Burns once overheard a party of American visitors on the terrace of the House of Commons speaking disparagingly of the Thames. It was, it appeared, the smallest thing they had seen in the way of rivers. "River!" roared the indignant old Londoner. "That's not a river. That's liquid history."

He might have spoken with equal emphasis and enthusiasm about the proceedings inside the Palace of Westminster. The building itself is undoubtedly antiquated and inconvenient, and looks, as Mr. Wells has said, as if a late Gothic cathedral had had an illegitimate child by a Flemish Town Hall.

Within its walls the amenities compare unfavourably with those of more modern Parliament Houses. The procedure is sometimes clumsy and often dilatory. But there is scarcely a rule or a custom which has not its origin far back in Parliamentary history or which does not commemorate the establishment of some first-class constitutional principle.

SLAMMING THE DOOR ON BLACK ROD

Take, for example, the traditional discourtesy to Black Rod, the King's Messenger, in whose face the doors of the House of Commons are slammed when he comes to summon the members to attend at the bar of the Upper House. In this way the Commons are asserting their independence of the Crown. For no Sovereign has entered the Lower Chamber since Charles I. came to arrest the Five Members, and so even the Crown's representative is admitted as a matter of grace and not as of right. Or there is the Mace, the presence of which on the Table indicates that the House is in session. This device has been in use as far back as there is any record, and the present Mace, which dates from the Restoration, is the immediate successor to that which was removed by the order of Cromwell. Or the Sergeant-at-Arms, an officer who ever since the Middle Ages has been lent by the Crown to the Commons to assist in the preservation of order.

It was in the reign of Elizabeth that the procedure of the House of Commons began to assume its modern form. Our Parliamentary methods of transacting business date, for the most part, from the 16th and 17th centuries. A knight of the shire of the time of Charles I., returning to-day, baffled as he might be by the subject-matter of debate, would still find the forms and customs tolerably familiar.

"A LOW COURTESY" TO MR. SPEAKER

Even the bearing of honourable members would be similar. For he would notice that they still bow low to Mr. Speaker on reaching or departing from their places, a habit that goes back to Elizabethan Parliaments.

Tradition has it that it arose in this way. In St. Stephen's Chapel, where the Commons met right up to the fire which destroyed the Houses of Parliament in 1834, the Speaker's chair was originally in front of the altar. It was to the altar, therefore, and not to the chair or its occupant that the bows were originally directed. However this may be, we find the House of Commons in 1681 ordering that members should "depart and go forth in comely and civil sort, for the reverence of the House," and directing members when they left the chamber to make "a low courtesy" to the Speaker "like as they do at their coming into the House."

BILL THAT IS NEVER PASSED

Of even greater antiquity is the custom which is still observed at the beginning of every Parliamentary session. After the Commons

have heard the King's Speech in the House of Lords and have returned to their own quarters, the Clerk calls out "Outlawries Bill." The Bill, which is expressed to be "For the more effectual preventing of Clandestine Outlawries," is then read the first time. But since first reading is a purely formal stage, and a measure need not appear in draft until the second reading is moved, the terms of the Outlawries Bill never actually see the light of day.

The constitutional significance, however, is profound and deserves particularly to be emphasised in these latter days, when the sole function of Parliament appears to be to register the decrees of an omnipotent executive. For the House is asserting its right to discuss whatsoever business it chooses, which is why it deals with the law of outlawry before turning its attention to the sessional agenda set out in the Speech from the Throne.

The origin of this practice could scarcely have been earlier than Tudor times, for it was not until the reign of Henry VIII. that the Commons began to embody their demands in bills instead of petitions to the Crown (thus ensuring that the relief actually granted should coincide with that intended).

CHARLES I. SET THE QUORUM

The usage seems to have existed as early as 1558, the year of Elizabeth's accession. A chronicler who wrote in 1653 described in detail the reading of a bill by the House to assert its independence.

"The Speaker being placed in the chair," the account runs, "Seymour, Esq., clerk of the aforesaid House of Commons, who sat unmoved at a table at the upper end of the House, just before the Speaker, stood up and read a bill . . . being entitled 'the bill touching the felling of wood and timber trees in forests and chases,' which done, kissing his hand, he delivered the said bill to the Speaker . . . which hath been the constant use and custom ever since, and also divers years before, that after the presentment and allowance of the Speaker, one bill be once read after his return from the Upper House in the House of Commons."

It is not only the ceremonies but even the actual working rules of the House that date from the three decades immediately preceding the Civil War. That forty should be a quorum was determined in the first Parliament of Charles I., and it still frequently happens on a Friday or Wednesday afternoon that the House is counted out, there being less than forty members present. In the same year it was laid down that unless a man were present at prayers his place could not be kept, a provision that even now ensures a large attendance of members at the commencement of the day's business.

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CLAIM AWARDED

Promissory Note For \$1,000

Appearing before the Puisne Judge, Mr. R. E. Lindsell, in the Supreme Court this morning, Chan Kwai Tong claimed \$1,000 from Wong Yeung Tse, being money issued by the plaintiff to the defendant on a promissory note. The plaintiff was represented by Mr. F. H. Loebe of Russ and Co., while the eighth sister of the defendant appeared on his behalf. Judgment was given in favour of the plaintiff.

For allowing his dog to wander in Kent Road at 11 a.m. on January 28, Mr. G. Dudley, of No. 10 Kent Road, was fined \$5 by Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

NOVELTY PORTRAIT COMPETITION

"Find The Lady" Contest Ends To-day

Certainly the face portrayed below does seem to have slipped somehow; but all things are not what they seem. This composite picture contains bits of the features of five lovely women, chief of whom is Grace Moore. That is the particular bit you have to find.



Beautiful Grace Moore, internationally famous as a golden-voiced singer, comes on Thursday to the Queen's Theatre in her first starring film, "One Night of Love."

To each of the six correct solvers of this picture puzzle, of which this is the fifth and last of the series, whose solutions are the first to be opened, will be forwarded two complimentary tickets for the Queen's Theatre. But remember that neatness, as well as correctness, will be taken into account.

Solutions must be sent in to Contest Editor, care of China Mail not later than noon to-morrow. So get busy now, and see if you can win one of the prizes!

TRAFFIC CASES IN COURT TO-DAY

Police Inspector Fined \$20

SEQUEL TO FATAL ACCIDENT TO CHINESE COOLIE

The inquiry held into the death of a Chinese coolie early last month, at which two officers of the Hong Kong Police Force were severely censured by the jury, had its sequel at the Central Magistracy this morning, when Sub-Inspector Dredge, was fined \$20 by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones for allowing an unlicensed driver, Sergeant Effremoff, to drive his car, No. 3664.

Inspector Dredge, pleading guilty, said that he understood that Sergeant Effremoff held a driver's license in Shanghai and that he was competent.

On January 29, Sergeant A. F. Effremoff was fined \$30 for driving car No. 3664 without an appropriate license and for failing to report an accident in Pottinger Street on December 16.

Other Traffic Offences

Summoned for leaving his car unattended at the junction of Ice House Street and Des Voeux Road, on January 29, Mr. E. Ainsworth was fined \$5.

A fine of \$25 was imposed on Hung Sau, driver of private car No. 3584, for failing to stop after having knocked a boy down in Johnston Road and for failing to report the accident.

For dangerous driving in Stubbs Road, Ng Man, driver of lorry No. 1426, was fined \$25. It was stated that the defendant was driving at a speed of 25 miles per hour and that he cut a corner on the wrong side of the road. A man who appeared to represent Ng Man was fined \$1 for wearing his hat in court.

QUESTIONS IN COMMONS ON CHINESE EGGS

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The Minister said he was unaware of any instances in which disease-producing organisms had been found, but he proposed to arrange for a special bacteriological examination of some samples of these eggs.

Sir Percy Hurd then asked: "Will the Minister inform the House why we receive these vast quantities of Chinese eggs without the hygienic precautions which are imposed on English producers?" No answer was returned.—Reuter.

STAR FERRY CO.'S ANNUAL MEETING

Decrease Of \$59,935 In Year's Receipts

DIVIDEND OF \$2 AND BONUS OF \$3.50 DECLARED

A decrease of \$59,935 in receipts during the year under review was this morning reported by Mr. W. J. Keswick, presiding at the 37th annual general meeting of the Star Ferry Co. Ltd., which was held at Messrs. Jardine Matheson's Board Room at noon. He was supported by the Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, Mr. A. H. Compton and Mr. S. H. Dodwell (Directors) and Mr. F. H. Crapnell, Secretary.

The following shareholders were also present: the Hon. Mr. J. J. Paterson, and Messrs. G. B. S. Thomson, D. Mackenzie, J. H. R. Hance, A. W. Heron, W. M. Groves, G. Castle, A. B. Stewart, J. Danby, J. H. Seth, J. M. Alves and E. G. Smith.

Chairman's Review

The Chairman, Mr. Keswick, in the course of his speech said:

"During the year under review, the Company sustained a great loss in the death of Mr. J. P. Warren, who had been a member of the Board since 1929.

"There is very little for me to comment on this year; the accounts are simple and straightforward. As the Chairman predicted at the last Annual Meeting, there was a considerable falling off in traffic during the year; actually there was a decrease of \$59,935.00 in receipts.

"Towards the end of the year, in order to fall in with the extension of closing hours, our service was also extended, the last ferry from Hong Kong leaving at 1.30 a.m. and from Kowloon at 1.15 a.m.

"Alterations have been made on the Pier at Hong Kong, providing more space for passengers moving to and from the ferries.

Points in Accounts

"Turning to the Accounts, you will observe in the Profit and Loss Account, an amount of \$888.87 written off under the heading of 'Bad and Doubtful Debts'. This is a loss sustained when the Company's share while on his way to the Bank was set upon in Peking Road, Kowloon, by three men who threw acid in his face and robbed him.

Several bystanders witnessed the attack but the assailants made their escape and nothing was recovered.

"The Investments under Assets include two lakhs on loan at 4 per cent., and \$125,000.00 invested in the Hong Kong Land Investment Co's 4 per cent. debentures, while the market value of shares in public companies represents \$621,225.00. The dividends from the latter investments realise just over 7½ per cent. per annum.

"After allowing for depreciation and taking into consideration the amount brought forward from last year, there is available for appropriation a balance of \$454,473.90.

"It is proposed to pay a dividend of \$2.00 per share and a Bonus of \$3.50 per share, and carry forward \$14,473.90.

"I wish to remind you that the Ferry Pier leases expire in 1949.

"I do not think there is anything more in the Accounts that calls for comment, and I now beg to propose the adoption of the Report and Accounts."

Mr. J. Danby seconded the adoption of the Report and Accounts, which were passed unanimously. The appointments of Mr. W. J.

To-day's Short Story.

THE RECALL

By Elinor Mordaunt

ANDRE BERTIE sprawled over his desk, his elbows spread wide, his nose almost touching the ledger above which he bent. His weak eyes were screwed up in the effort he made to concentrate both his vision and his thoughts on the long line of figures down which he ran his pen; while one leg dangled, and the other was curled up, with the foot twisted into the top rail of the high stool on which he sat.

The bare, whitewashed office was, for the most part, bathed in a sickly green light, which filtered in through the slit of the jalousies. But one had swung a little open, and through the aperture thus left there streamed a shaft of yellow, dust-moted sunshine; while beyond it could be seen one funnel and part of the taffrail of the dirty, littered deck of a tramp steamer, with a strip of blue sky across

which there swung at regular intervals the black arm of a crane, heralded by a chorus of cries, and the hoarsely shouted orders of the English mate, who stood against the rail spitting out tobacco juice and blasphemies, in a furious endeavour to make his orders, intelligent to the mongrel crew of creoles and Malabars who loaded the ship.

Every moment or so Andre's weak eyes twitched upwards to this picture set in the narrow green frame of the jalousies. The brackish stench of the harbour tickled his nostrils; the vehement exhortations of the mate mingled with the accounts of the first, second, and third sugars, molasses, and rum over which he was busied, with but indifferent success.

For though nature appeared to have attuned his bodily form to the whole duties of a clerk, the mind, the soul inhabiting the weak, narrow-chested, stunted little body, clad in the greasy tussore suit, was of another calibre.

It was stiflingly hot, and the open shutter did not mend matters. Once Andre's employer came in with a bundle of papers and pushed it to, with a petulant exclamation of annoyance at the simmering heat of the place.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "The Half Mile," by T. O. Beachcroft.

Andre's eyes were on his ledger, his hot, slippery fingers busy with his pen. But he knew that directly the boss went out, slamming the door behind him—that stupid door leading merely to another room and thence to the street—the shutter would swing open again and he would be—well, almost at sea. For the narrow strip of quay which lay beneath the window, between the wall and the harbour, was invisible from where he sat.

All his life Andre had agonised for the sea. Born on one of the highest points of the islands as far back as he could remember any thing he remembered the fascination of that rim of water which surrounded it—now cut in a hard circle against the sky; now fringed with a mysterious, dim grayness, suggestive of infinite distance—and it was thus that he liked it best—now flaming in the west with the great ruby of the setting sun, while the remainder of the coast was ringed with pale, clear gold.

But always the world in which he lived appeared to him definitely as what it was: a finite spot of green set in an infinite ocean, of which the hard blue line—that cut so clearly across the sky when a storm was brooding, and was always vaguely resented by the boy as suggesting an end to what he knew as endless—showed only the very beginning.

For though to the other creole boys the island seems the be-all and end-all of a world, in which a well-meaning Deity has made at least this one great success, to Andre it was simply an outpost, upon the greatest heights of which he could stand and view the sea all round him—from the coast of Asia to the South Pole, from Madagascar to Australia—with hardly a break of land.

It had been the widow Bertie's great dream that her only child should become a priest. It was a career of distinction—as much so as his own father's profession of notary, which required too expensive a training to be considered for one moment. Besides, for widows with only sons, it enjoyed yet another advantage, precluding the possibility of that "other woman" who hovers so menacingly before a mother's eyes from the moment that the actual pangs of bringing a man-child into the world are passed; with, in addition, a snug prosbytery, and the ordered peace of a career from which every worldly passion has been nipped with as much cruel care as is bestowed on a plant destined to bear but one perfect

SERIOUS CHARGE AGAINST INDIAN

Indecent Assault On Married Woman

BAIL REFUSED

Appearing before Mr. E. W. Hamilton at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning Gul Sher, a 22-year-old Indian Automobile Association Scout, charged with an indecent assault on a married woman named Wong Wai-ying, at No. 9 Chi Woo Street, second floor, where he lives, was formally remanded for seven days. Detective-Sub-Inspector Cunningham, of the Yau-mai Police Station, appeared as prosecutor.

In remanding the defendant Mr. Hamilton warned him that an additional charge of rape might be preferred against him, and said that, as it was possible for a life sentence to be given in such cases, no bail would be allowed.

PO PIU LOTTERY CHARGE

Six-Year-Old Girl Used To Carry Tickets

WIDOW FINED \$75

A fine of \$75, in default six weeks' hard labour, was imposed on Chau Wong, a widow, by Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, for being in possession of 118 po piu lottery tickets.

Accused used her six-year-old daughter to carry the tickets. She was previously fined \$2 for a same offence.

Keswick and Mr. Stanley H. Dodwell as Directors were confirmed on the proposal of Mr. G. B. S. Thomson, seconded by Mr. J. H. R. Hance.

On the proposal of Mr. A. W. Heron, seconded by Mr. D. Mackenzie, the Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie was re-elected a Director.

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blossom—in this case an unwavering, unquestioning devotion to the only faith—all this, and a careful mother to lay out the tiny stipend to the best possible advantage and manage the domestic affairs, what more could be wished for?

Nature herself had been complicit. The narrow, hatchet face, with a wide, overhanging forehead, was surely moulded

rounded a brain fit for intellectual pursuits. And the whole frail physique, weakened by that inapplicable disease of the bone, that ate into the flesh of the ankle which now dangled from the office stool—and had balked every doctor on the island with a running sore which would not be healed: all—all pointed to the necessity for a life of inaction.

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THE RECALL

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But there was the soul to be reckoned with; and the meagre child, in the meagre plaid frock, later replaced by the faded suit of yellow nankin—grown by a whole family of elder cousins—and the white socks of the island schoolboy, possessed the soul of a buccaneer.

In the plaid-frock days he used to play at being the wind—a loud-voiced, blustering wind; cracking a little now and then in its narrow chest, but on the whole most creditably fierce. At other times he was a three-decker, all canvas set, with mother's shawl upheld between his arms; staggering amid the troughs of stupendous waves, shipping vast seas under an over-weight of top-heavy sail.

Always with the "royale" set. Where he had found the word he could not have said, but he knew it. Again—and this was the play that never seemed a play, that swept him clean out of himself, that transformed the armchair into a towering three-decker and the chiffoier into a trim, yet menacing, frigate—he was an oceanman, struggling desperately across the bare wooden floor, which mysteriously rose and fell in mountainous billows; while the wicker tent on which he adventured forth, with stick and umbrella for oars, met with adventures quite beyond and imagining—winds and seas so awful that the little Andre would at last be drawn half fainting from his storm-tossed barque; to spend the afternoon, in grateful languor, prone upon his bed, with a handkerchief steeped in vinegar and water across his too large forehead.

Later—where the boy got the books from la Veuve Bertie never knew—he soaked himself in stories of adventure, importuning every neighbour who went to town, to ransack the Public Library for him; falling on the volumes like a famished wolf on food; tearing the heart out of them in his search for the very word "ship" or "sea"; while his geography lessons became a veritable orgy; and the globe, that one sympathetic professor had given him, more pregnant with far-reaching visions than any crystal.

To the other boys Europe meant a faraway, unreal place, parts of it interesting, merely because they offered a market for Island-grown sugar; while England—to them connected with the Island—by the hub of the universe—by the fact that it was the same colour on the map and, incidentally, held by the same people which the Island itself held—still tightly pressed 'twixt the finger and thumb of the "Code Napoleon," the only system of law worth considering.

To Andre, however, such places—at least, the sea-ports, the inland was not worth considering—were real. He had been there. He went again—almost nightly in his dreams. And when the teacher told of the sudden storms that swept the blue Mediterranean, the turmoil of the Spanish coast, the driving mist of the English Channel, he felt himself glow and swell, so that he wondered his school-fellows did not notice the great press of muscles beneath the sleeves of the yellow nankin, and the clear wind—so different from the hot perfume-laden air of the Island—that whipped the colour to his cheeks and forced him to fill his lungs with long-drawn breaths of delight.

Consciously Andre Bertie had never touched an oar, but in his dreams he rowed. Sitting upright in his bed and pulling with a mighty stroke, only fettered by the pull of something at his waist, caused, as he found on waking, by the fact that his nightshirt had worked up into a hard roll round him.

And always this dream ended in the same way—with the splintering smash of oars which ran up to his hands; and the mouth of a great gun, which he pictured in his waking hours as belching forth fire and smoke. In his dream, however, there was none of this. But first a deep roar—beyond any mere sound—which made him feel as if the whole of the front of him was open and horribly empty, then a blinding light, in which his dazed consciousness overthrew the void—limbs, head, heart, and brain non-existent, till in an agony of vomiting his whole being rose to fill it, at the same moment that something hit him full in the middle, so that he awakes shrieking; something that his mother called

"une douleur d'estomac," and treated with "aya-panna and camomile," though it burnt more like hot lead. To be a priest! It was out of the question. To mutter prayers, to visit sick folk, to hear confessions, and give absolution, with those great winds for ever booming in his ears! Twice he ran away down to the Port and boarded steamers, importuning to be taken as cabin-boy, cook's-boy, anything. But none would have him, and he was returned ignominiously to his weeping mother, with whom at least a compromise was effected. It was out of the question that he should go to sea. For by this time the sore on his ankle needed constant dressing, and the effects of a disordered digestion an imagination had combined to make the pain in his middle an affair of daily occurrence.

At least, that is what the doctors assigned it to. Andre knew better. One is not killed night after night, by a charge of grape-shot in one's vitals without feeling some after-effect. The very getting back to life again—as exemplified by waking—was an agonising affair.

Anyhow, the end of it all was that an old client of his father's found him a situation as clerk, in a wharf office, with sugar-broker.

"You'll be happy now, I suppose. Right on the very edge of the sea; the furthest end of the Island from the mother who bore you, and worried herself to skin and bone over your fancies," remarked the widow with wistful bitterness.

Happy! Do compromises ever make for happiness? To be within the very sight and smell of the world that so absorbed him.

To see the great ships starting off day after day, drawing his heart with them over the world's edge; and to be left there, perched on the high office stool like a fowl on a rail, grappling with the vagaries of a silly, sticky pen and a maze of figures. Somewhere he had heard of a tally stick—that was a man's way of keeping accounts, with a knife and a piece of wood.

The tramp outside the office window was getting up steam, and the pinkish evening sky was blurred with foul black smoke in place of the clear-cut arm of the crane.

A small moist wind had uprisen as evening fell. The unlatched window had blown wide open; and there at the stern of the steamer lay a sailing-ship, a fine barque upon which the sails were even then being set.

It seemed to have grown hotter than ever, for there was no freshness in the wind. But, as a fellow-clerk of Andre's came into the room, flung down a large folio on the desk at his side, and muttering something about "having finished for that day," went out, slamming the door behind him, a sudden chill seemed to sweep across the hall, glazing the sweat in which he was soaked, to an icy stiffness over his entire body, while as he fell a little more forward across his desk the steamer disappeared from his line of vision, and the sailing ship slid forward.

Andre's chin was on the ledger, his red-rimmed eyes on the open window. He was wide-awake, he was completely sane. But things were beginning to happen much as they did in his dream. The window aperture widened till it engulfed the whole of that side of the room. Only half the visible, but now the whole bulk of it showed high above the water. He had been mistaken, it was not a barque but a three-decker; blunt-nosed, heavy-beamed, with square-rimmed port-holes and a towering poop-deck.

Something caught his round the waist, "I must be asleep," he heard himself say, "that damnable night-shirt he rolled up again." And he shifted to put his hands behind him to smooth it out, bewildered by a new feature of his dream. For the thing, whatever it was, rattled as he moved, and his hands were held, gripping something round and hard; while another hand, with coarse, rough, touched his; a foot body pressed either side of him, while the floor heaved beneath his feet.

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KIANGSI POSTAL SERVICES RESTORED

Postal services suspended over a matter of several years in the areas formerly occupied by the Communists in Kiangsi Province, have been resumed. The cities now under Nanking's postal administration include Ningbo, Hui-chang, Yunta, Shihchong and Jui-ching, the former capital of the Reds. Military wireless stations are maintaining contact with headquarters.

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A large number of the delegates are due to pass through Hong Kong, on board the President Coolidge, on Thursday next, among them being Mr. Paul P. Harris, the founder of the Rotary movement, which had its origin in Chicago just 35 years ago.

Paul P. Harris, the founder of Rotary, was born on April 19, 1868, at Racine, Wisconsin. He attended the University of Vermont and Princeton University. Taking his law course at the University of Iowa, he graduated in 1891. Since 1896 he has been engaged continuously in the practice of his profession in Chicago. In 1910 he married Miss Jean Thomson, of Edinburgh, Scotland.

Varied Career
From 1891 to 1896 he spent five years in seeing the world. He worked as a reporter on daily papers in San Francisco and Denver, rode the range in the cow country, picked oranges in southern Louisiana, sold marble and granite, crossed the Atlantic twice on cattle ships, and made a third trip to Europe on business.

In 1898 he opened a law office in Chicago, where he had neither friends nor relatives. His first years as a lawyer were marked by the discouragements and struggles (Continued on Page 3)

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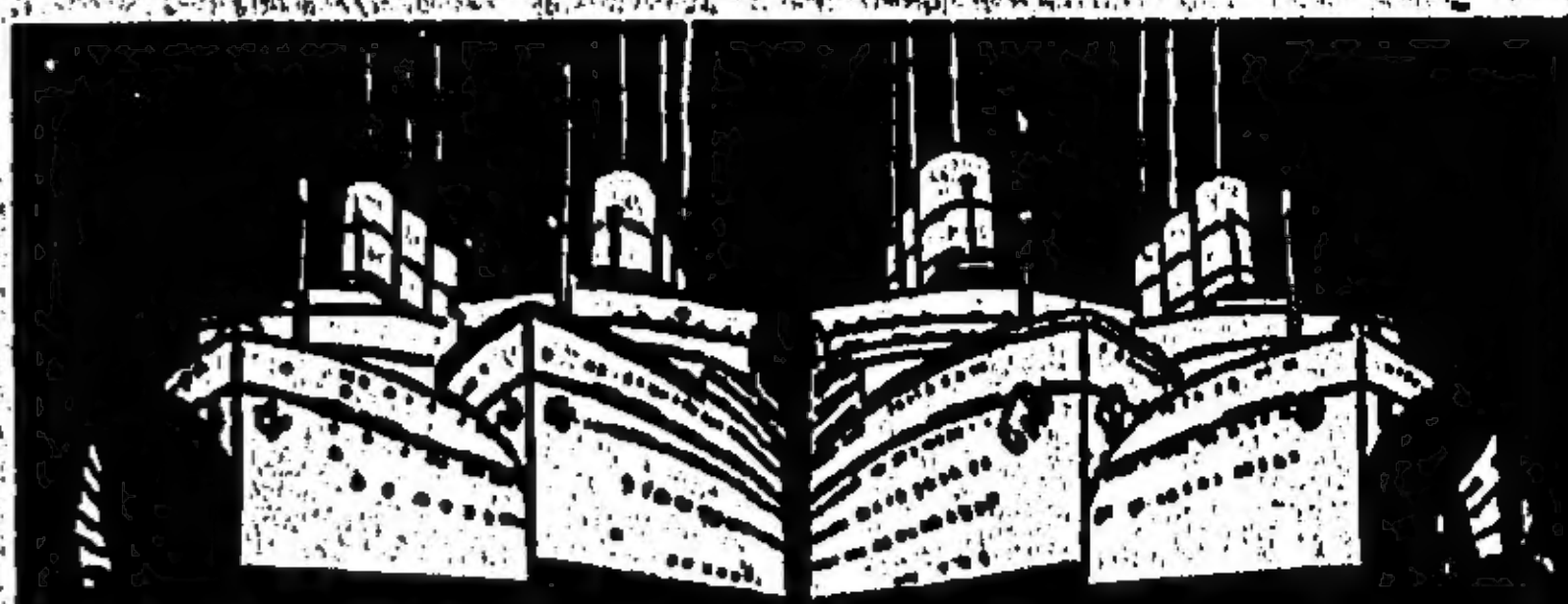
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THE RECALL

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A lash lashed above his head and cut deep into his naked flesh. Mechanically as if with long use, Andre ducked and flung himself forward over that which he held, which in its turn jerked him to and fro with it; glanced from left to right, counted five pairs of hands, all like his own, incredibly cracked and red; followed with his eyes, from the last on the right down a rounded length of wood, and through a round hole in a dark mass of timber, and there caught a glimpse of the whipped the wave-tops to a foam.

Suddenly he remembered—with a sheer agonising of the memory, in which it seemed as if soul and body fought together: a fight where the soul proved itself the stronger, and, vanquishing the puny body's body, threw it aside re-creating for itself another equal to its needs.

It was an ear he held. Of course he remembered. He had been dreaming. It was all as clear as day. Salt had been dear in Dauphina, and in his longing to season with some taste the insipid broth which formed his daily food, he had passed over into Burgundy to sell cabbage and buy salt, and been sent to the galley for it. Years before—how long he could not remember, though he remembered every step of the forced march to Marseilles, and how the women taunted and the children pealed him when, in common with the other prisoners, he held out his little wooden bowl to beg for food and water.

It was all clear. He was Number 24 of the galley La Palme, one hundred and fifty feet from bow to stern; with two hundred and fifty slaves, two rows of them; twenty-five oars either side of the central gallery—raised some four feet above the deck—five men to each oar, with a crew of another hundred and fifty—captain, officers, seamen, and soldiers.

There were five guns in the bows and a corseur gun on the main deck, which no one could forget, for it was to it that offenders were bound, that they might receive the bastinado. And the captain's quarters were on the foredeck; and below decks were six small rooms—the captain's, the clerk's, the cook's, the palloir, the tavern, and the foreroom. Number 24 could see none of this: could see nothing much indeed, save the scarred, naked backs of the men in front of him. But he knew. It all came back in time to the swing of the oars, and the song of the whip, and the sickening odour of unwashed men and disease.

"Pull all—pull all, you dogs!" He knew what that order meant—a double quick stroke that drew the heart out of a man as surely as a gardener might uproot a weed, with a jerk, betwixt his finger and thumb. They had pulled for twelve hours, and he wondered dully if the whistle would ever sound, releasing them for a while from their oars, so that they might drop beneath the benches and sleep.

His eyes were weighed down with intense fatigue and the sweat-red from the eye of his coarse Phrygian cap, ran into them and blinded them; while the blood from his cut shoulder dripped into a little pool in the hollow of the leather apron which lay across his knees; the only covering to his nakedness.

A chain round his waist—with just enough play for the come and go of the oar—fettered him to the bench on which he sat; and there were other chains round his ankles, fastening his feet to the deck in the same manner; while his neighbours sat so close that their iron cut his flesh at any sudden lurch of the galley.

On his left a foreman, with split ears and nostrils, who blasphemed without ceasing, for Number 24 had missed a stroke in his re-birth, and brought the whip upon them all, while to his right was one of those they call "forests pour la foi," whose name Andre knew to be Mar-telhe, and who prayed without ceasing.

Only Number 24 was silent; for he was a true peasant, whom Nature—though she had made him martialistic, damming his soul up with silence—had also filled with the power of a slowly accumulating fury, which burnt day and night like a fire within his heart.

The linen screens were no round the rowers, so that they could not see where they were going or what they were doing; but by any means signal to the enemy. But by this, and the order to "Pull all," the rowers knew that they were near an end of some sort.

The ankle-chain had just bitten to the bone of Number 24's ankle. It had taken a long while, but there it was. They all knew the chase was over. The Island has such a son; and then what happens? Nothing will suit him but that he should go away to rest, during the cooking of those who knew nothing—less than nothing—of his constitution. And now this seizure.

"I did not know he was at sea. He does not look as if he had lived in the open," said the sister, with her fingers on Andre's fluttering pulse.

"Well, not at sea, but near the sea: in an office on the very quay itself, I do not understand—never did." And the poor mother sighed.

Neither did her son, for he lives. Why, indeed, had he wanted to go to vengeance of M.P.s passing from Parliament-street to Palace-yard. Moreover, there is a statute of Charles II. which prohibits the bringing of a petition to Parliament by a deputation numbering more than ten.

It has not always been possible, however, to give effect to these precautions, and more than once in times of high political excitement the London mob has demonstrated outside the very walls of Parliament. When in 1771, the famous dispute arose between the House of

Commons and the City of London over the publication of debates, and the House proposed to send the Lord Mayor to the Tower, the indignant citizens besieged the Legislature for several days.

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OLD OBSERVANCES IN THE COMMONS

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HUGE LOSSES IN MILK BOTTLES 70 Million New Ones Needed Every Year!

WHAT IT COSTS
 London.
 Here are facts and figures which the milk consumer should digest. The amount of milk delivered daily in England and Wales is 1,900,000 gallons, of which approximately 400,000 gallons can be found on the Londoner's doorstep. This is exclusive of the milk now delivered to schools.
Glassware on Loan
 Millions of bottles are used daily. No deposit is required on these bottles, although their actual cost is 2½d. each. That means that thousands of pounds worth of glassware is lent by the milk distributors every day.
 And many of these loans are never returned.
 Some are painted and draped, and used as hyacinth glasses; thousands are used as borders for flower beds—planted inverted in the soil; and one seaside municipality estimates that a million bottles a year are deposited on its shores.
Inspectors Needed
 So colossal were the losses of the milk companies that Milk Vessels Recoveries, Limited, was formed, an organisation supported by practically all the important dairy interests in the country.
 In London alone it employs sixty inspectors and a big fleet of motor-cars, which swoop upon empty and neglected bottles.
 To the depot at Tottenham comes daily a stream of bottles, many of which have passed through strange adventures. Stranger still, they pass through a wonderful sterilising machine, which turns them into bottles fit for milk to rest in again.
 To supply customers with one pint of milk a day, four bottles must be kept in circulation. The milk is delivered in one; the second awaits the next delivery; a third is at the central depot being washed; a fourth is stored in the reserve depot.
 Thus to ensure the delivery of a pint of milk costing 3½d. glass costing at least tenpence is kept in circulation. To provide London's supply 12,000,000 bottles are required, their total value being at least £125,000.

ADIS ABABA PARLEYS

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 This follows the incident of January 23 when a young French Colonial Administrator, M. Bernard, was cut to pieces by a horde of 800 tribesmen while on an inspection tour of his district with a small guard of 105 men.

NO THOUGHT OF GENERAL ELECTION YET

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which Britain's great administrators and engineers had paved the way, than the fact of bearing this great responsibility. Those who said that they would agree to provincial autonomy if law and order were not transferred were clutching at straw. The divorce between political power on the one hand and authority in the sphere of public order on the other hand would be certain to end in the collapse of one or the other.
DOMINION STATUS
 Referring to Dominion status, Sir Thomas Inskip said that the Secretary for India's declaration last Wednesday had not merely the assent of the Government, but also expressed their considered judgment. To put that declaration in the bill, however, would be interpreting an interpretation more likely to darken counsel than to elucidate the words already used. Sir Samuel Hoare's statement was intended to have precisely the same importance and to be treated with the same respect as if the Government had been able to put it into preamble. It would be extremely difficult to frame suitable language for a formal statement of the preamble. Westminster did not mention, still less definite, Dominion status, and did not alter it at all.

That India should sometime have the same rights as the Dominions he most certainly affirmed, but it was obvious that India, from her size, condition, and strategic position, would have more difficult problems presented to her than were ever presented to the Governments of other Dominions.

SECESSION RIGHTS

He regretted that the purely academic question of right to secede from the Empire had been raised. All the pledges to India were pledges relating to its future development in the words of the 1919 preamble 'As an integral part of the Empire.' It was so stated in Lord Irwin's declaration. It would apply to Lord Irwin's declaration, even if it were not stated, because that declaration was solely put forward as an interpretation of the preamble. Quite obviously none of the pledges included a promise of status outside the British Empire or a constitution intended to be used to take India out of the Empire. They were told they were taking great risks in this bill, but was there ever a time when the British nation was not taking risks.
 The whole Empire was one long history of risks, wisely taken. The Government felt that this question had been so long pondered and so

INFIRMITY MAKES NO DIFFERENCE

Cripple Who Always Loves A Fight
USES HIS WOODEN LEG AS WEAPON

Josef Prochazka has only one leg—but the police have just given him orders forbidding him to enter the town of Olomouc, in Moravia, owing to his "violent behaviour."
 It was a quarrel some years ago that was the cause of Josef's losing his leg, amputated following a knife wound. And the loss has done nothing to lessen his love of a fight.
 Rather the reverse. For now Josef, having provoked a quarrel, quickly unscrews his wooden leg and uses it as a weapon.
 The police ban is the sequel of Josef's sixtieth appearance in court, charged with inflicting grievous bodily harm.
 Josef's defence was that he had been insulted as a "helpless cripple."

EMPLOYMENT RETURNS IN GREAT BRITAIN

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were 1,882,034 wholly unemployed, 363,994 temporarily stopped, and 89,345 normally in casual employment, making a total of 2,325,375.
 This total was 239,558 more than the number of the registers at December 17, 1934 and 63,695 less than the year before.—British Wireless Service.

widely discussed by men of goodwill and of experience, that they might go forward in the hope that their intentions would be accepted for what they were worth, and that India might, after this great debate, realise that the people of Britain were prepared now to lend all their efforts to enable the peoples of India to attain what she had taught them to desire full stature of manhood within the British Commonwealth.

MR. CHURCHILL SPEAKS

The later speakers included Hon. Mr. Winston Churchill, who prefaced his criticism of the bill by referring to the Dominion status declaration as a grave new fact.
 He admitted that he himself had loosely and unwisely used the phrase immediately after the war, but later it was felt in many quarters in politics that such a vague and an indefinite phrase ought not to play its part in the revision of the Indian constitution.
 He claimed that they were entitled to a clarification of Sir Thomas Inskip's statement. The debate is proceeding.—British Wireless Service.

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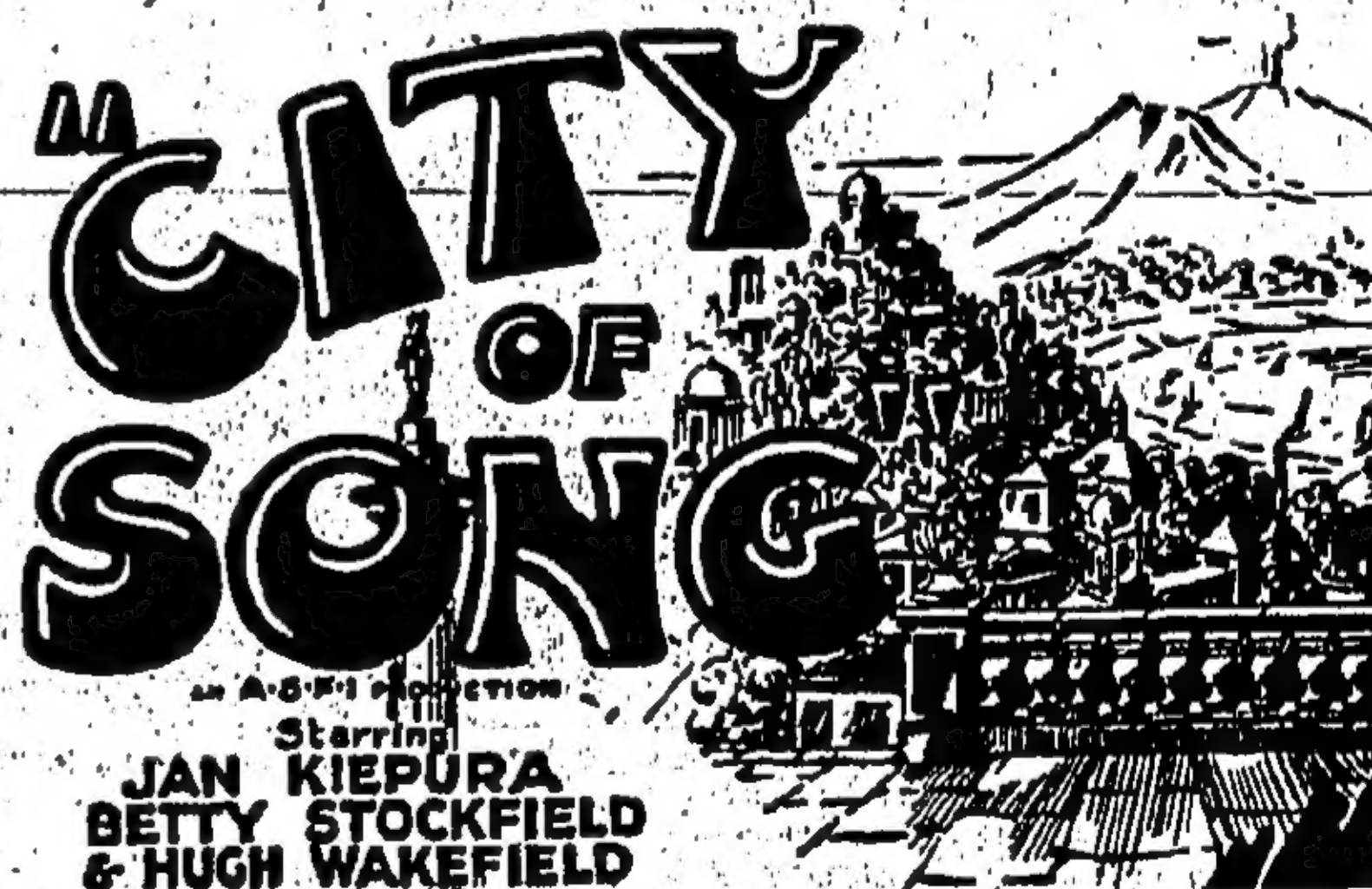
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